Carbonite Online Backup

http://tinyurl.com/2wxdjo

The great thing about Carbonite is that it does it's work quietly in the background while you use your computer. You install Carbonite and set it up at the beginning, then you can forget about it while you get your work done.

Carbonite allows you to select the files on your PC that you want backed up. There is no limit on the number of files, or the size of the files you can back up with Carbonite, and the cost is only five dollars a month.

Once you download and install Carbonite, the program walks you through the process of selecting which files and folders you want to back up. If you are not sure at first, you can choose to let Carbonite select them for you.

If you choose to backup an entire folder (like your Documents folder) any files that you add to that folder in the future are automatically backed up as well.

Once you have selected your important files and folders, carbonite goes to work double encrypting your files and uploading them to their secure Internet server.

The think I like best about Carbonite is that I never have to remember to back up my computer. I used to have to stop work early on Fridays to run a special backup program that took about an hour to run. I was not able to use my computer during that time, and I was often tempted to skip a week or two. Any time I make changes to a file or create a new one, Carbonite detects the changes or new file and backs it up, usually within 24 hours.

When I delete a file, Carbonite keeps a copy of the file on their servers for 30 days. This gives me a nice window of time to change my mind if I made a mistake.

When you open your Documents folder, you can quickly see which files are backed up, and which ones are waiting to be backed up. Files that are backed up have a little green dot on the lower left hand corner of their icon. If the file has changed and not been backed up yet, the dot is orange. In fact, if the file is very important, you can right-click on it and then point to Carbonite and click "Back this file up as soon as possible"

If you have a file or folder that is not necessary to back up, you can right-click on the file or folder, point to the "Carbonite" menu then click on "Don't back this up".

You can download a 15 day free trial for Carbonite at http://tinyurl.com/2wxdjo

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